IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Hitoshi SAOMOTO et al.**Art Unit: 2828

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 June 4, 2010

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 10, 2010, and having a response due date set for June 10, 2010. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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